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1. The Prerov airfield was constructed before World War II. During the war it was used for elementary training by the "Luftwaffe". Later it was a fighter base. At the end of the war the airfield was destroyed. After the war only a grass runway was made usable and in 1946 two hangars were built on the northeast corner of the airfield. The construction of a concrete runway was begun in 1948 and completed in the autumn of 1951.
2. The airfield is situated southwest of Prerov (P50/003) between the towns of Bochor (P50/003) and Henclov (P50/003). On the north the airfield ends in fields; on the east it ends in fields near Bochor. The southern side is formed by the Bochor forest; at the western edge of the airfield a concrete runway goes a little beyond the western edge of the Bochor forest. The height of the airfield is 207 meters above sea level. The airfield ground is humus. The prevailing winds are northwesterly or westerly.
3. The concrete runway is about 2,500 meters long and 50 to 60 meters wide; it runs from west southwest to east northeast. It runs almost parallel with the Bochor forest.
4. A concrete taxi-strip runs from the old hangars in a southerly direction to the runway which it crosses and then runs to southwest for about 150 m; then for about 1,200 meters it parallels the main runway and turns northeast to the Vymyslov farm. From the Vymyslov farm it runs about 150 m. due north and afterwards turns to the east; after a distance of about 500 meters it joins its starting point at the old hangars.
5. a. On the northeast corner of the airfield are two old hangars which were built in 1946. They are of reinforced concrete with metal roofs, 50 x 20 meters.
- b. A new hangar was built on the north edge of Bochor forest south of the taxi strip. The hangar is of reinforced concrete, 70 x 20 meters, and

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was completed in 1951.

- c. A wooden hangar, 12 x 10 meters, belonging to the Prerov Aeroklub, is situated beside the taxi-strip near the Vymyslov farm.
6. A concrete control tower is located east of the new hangar near the taxi-strip. The tower is rectangular and is about 12 meters high. It has a sloping glass roof.
7. A radio station which was originally located in one of the old hangars is now probably in the control tower.
8. The runway and the taxi-strip are provided with lights for night flying.
9. There were 25 MIG-15's at the airfield; three of them were two-seaters.¹
10. Two aircraft are always standing by ready to take off; they are parked either at the eastern or the western end of the runway. Their position is determined by the direction of the wind.
11. The airfield administration offices and barracks are located in the vicinity of the old hangars. The barracks consist of 4 or 5 wooden huts, 40 x 10 meters. In the northern part of Bochor forest new military installations are being built. That part of the forest is off limits.
12. A junction road to the airfield branches off from the Prerov-Henclov road and leads directly to the old hangars. The junction road is paved with stone.
13. The airfield is used as a training base for jet aircraft. The northern part of the airfield is available to the members of the Prerov Aeroklub as well. Their gliders are launched by means of a winch.
14. Northeast of the airfield, at a place where the road from Prerov branches off the west, a factory was built at the same time as the airfield. The factory produces machinery for stonework. Up to now two halls, 200 x 80 meters, have been completed; more are to be built. A single-track railroad line leads to the factory.

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1. Comment: Presumably U-MIG-15's (trainers).

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